

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Cancelled)
2. (Currently Amended) A system according to claim + 19 wherein the liner is a plastics material.
3. (Previously Cancelled)
4. (Currently Amended) A system according to claim + 19 wherein the pipe is provided with perforations.
5. (Previously Cancelled)
6. (Currently Amended) A system according to claim + 19 wherein the particulate material is gravel.
7. (Previously Cancelled)
8. (Cancelled)
9. (Cancelled)
10. (Cancelled)
11. (Currently Amended) A system according to claim + 19 further comprising a containment layer containing said substrate layer for preventing egress of water from said supporting substrate layer into surrounding ground.
12. (Cancelled)
13. (Cancelled)
14. (Cancelled)
15. (Cancelled)
16. (Cancelled)
17. (Cancelled)
18. (Cancelled)
19. (Re-presented – formerly claims 10, 8 and 8) A system for regulating the supply of water to a plant, the system comprising:
 - a permeable surface layer providing an upper surface;
 - at least one supporting substrate layer thereunder which is permeable to liquid;
 - an island in the form of a hole or trench formed in said layer for receipt of a plant;

a liner in said hole or trench containing a volume of plant growing medium, the liner being impermeable to water;

drainage means adapted to drain water from the plant growing medium contained within the liner and convey the drained water to a desired location;

wherein the drainage means is a pipe, the section of the pipe located within the liner is surrounded by a particulate material, and the particulate material is surrounded by a dispersing layer;

and duct means for allowing the regulated passage of water from said substrate layer to the plant growing medium.

20. (New) A system according to claim 11 wherein the substrate layer is partially or fully divided by one or more impermeable divider or weir means into sections within the containment layer containing the substrate layer.